

Delta Electricity – CARE Forum Meeting Notes

Date: 20 May 2021

ATTENDEES

Community		Delta Electricity	
Doug Way	Chain Valley Bay Progress Association	Greg Everett	Managing Director
Laurie Williams	Summerland Point Tidy Towns Group	David Morris	Executive Manager Production
Chris Smith	Summerland Point Progress Association	Vince Reedy	Executive Manager Asset
Kevin Spencer	Summerland Point Progress Association	Hayley Wilson	Administration Team Leader
Andrew Whitbourne	Manning Park Precinct Committee	Steve Gurney	Company Secretary
Marlyne Pettiford	Manning Park Progress Association	Harry Manoli	Acting Environment Manager
Marie Brown	Manning Park Progress Association		
Stuart Durie	Lake Munmorah Precinct Committee		1

All community members were welcomed, and the meeting was opened at 2.35pm.

Industry Update – Greg Everett

An update on the generation industry was provided to the group.

- Average spot electricity prices.
- NSW resource adequacy.
- New peaking capacity announcement and regulatory developments.

Operational Overview – David Morris

Safety & Health

Advised the members of the following safety details;

- Details regarding recent LTI.
- New mandatory alcohol and temperature testing at Vales Point.
- Flu vaccinations.
- Upgrade to switchboard protection to reduce arc flash.

Production

- Unit 5 is in service. YTD availability 82.36%
- Unit 6 is in service. YTD availability 86.82%

Coal Supplies

- Chain Valley mine – mini wall coal and herringbone.
- Mandalong mine deliveries via conveyor.
- Minor volume via trucks.
- Coal Handling Plant pylon repairs.

Trucks

- Biomass deliveries are still continuing.
- Vales Point Ash Dam

Asset Management Update – Vince Reedy

Projects

An overview and update on the planned projects for the power station was shared. Including details of the DCS upgrade and VP6 Turbine new intermediate pressure cylinders that was completed in the outage in April. Further details on the outage work scope were also shared.

Environmental Update – Kerrie Davis

Community Enquiries

Outlined the environmental and land management issues which were raised in the last 3 months and confirmed that all community enquiries are investigated, and appropriate responses and actions are provided. Also confirmed the Delta Community Incident Information number (1800 115 277).

March 2021 Storm Event

- As a result of the heavy rainfall the Vales Point ash dam over-boarded to the Wyee cutting on 21 March. The environment protection licence (EPL) permits discharge from the ash dam where >400mm rain has fallen in the prior 31-day period.
- Daily water sampling and analysis was undertaken as per EPL requirements.
- One sample collected 25 March exceeded the EPL limit for suspended solids (sample result = 74mg/L). The EPA were notified of the exceedance upon receipt of the sample results.
- The EPA advised Delta that given the nature of the storm event, they do not propose taking action as a result of the limit exceedance.
- Given the poor water quality within Wyee and Mannering creeks at the time, only one exceedance of TSS is an excellent result.

Nitrogen Dioxide Air Emission Limits

- Application submitted to the EPA to extend classification of Vales Point units as Group 2 for the purpose of NOx emission limits.
- Delta has also submitted a proposal to the EPA to complete an air emissions modelling study to support the application.
- New burner tips are being installed in unit 6 as part of the current major outage. This work is expected to significantly reduce unit 6 NOx emission levels

Community Update – Steve Gurney

Community Sponsorship & Events

The members were given an update on recent sponsorship activities and projects which Delta Electricity support. Including details of the annual Lioness Club of Gwandalan Art Show, sponsorship support to Kingfisher Shores Community Garden and Wyee Point RFS.

Feedback from Community Groups

- **Kevin and Laurie - Summerland Point Progress Association**
 - Council have cleaned out the local pool.
 - Local community has ongoing graffiti problem.
 - Lions club art show is planned for early 2021.

- **Andrew Whitbourne – Mannering Park Precinct Committee/ Tidy Towns**
 - Mowing around the community is in progress.
 - Sailing club extension is completed.

- **Doug Way– Chain Valley Bay Progress Association / Macquarie Shores Village**
 - Delta Coal grant for park pavilion has been approved.
 - CVB Community Hall upgrade completed.
 - Group working on projects with council.

- **Chris Smith - Summerland Point Progress Association**
 - Weather has impacted the group's activities.
 - The group welcomed three new members.

- **Marlyn and Marie - Mannering Park Progress Association**
 - Working with Council for a community garden located in Mannering Park.

- **Stuart Durie - Lake Munmorah Precinct Committee**
 - Ongoing issues with Chain Valley Bay and Pacific Hwy traffic hazard.
 - The group are having issues with funding and expenses, hall hire and insurances.

Community members were all thanked for their time and the meeting was then closed.

Next Meeting: August 2021

Meeting notes taken by Hayley Wilson – Administration Team Leader